

SENATE NO. 26

AN ACT AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION TO PRESERVE CIVIL RIGHTS AND EQUAL PROTECTION

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,
And by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 2 of part II, "Initiative Petitions," of article XLVIII of the Amendments to the
2 Constitution of the commonwealth is hereby amended by inserting in the first sentence after the words
3 "religious institutions;" the following words:- or civil rights;
- 4 SECTION 2. Section 2 of part II, "Initiative Petitions," of article XLVIII of the Amendments to the
5 Constitution of the commonwealth is hereby amended by inserting in the third paragraph after the
6 words "freedom of elections;" the following words:- the right to equal protection;
- 7 SECTION 3. Section 2 of part III, "Referendum Petitions" of article XLVIII of the Amendments to
8 the Constitution of the commonwealth is hereby amended by inserting in the first sentence after the
9 words "religious institutions;" the following words:- or to civil rights and matters of equal protection;